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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Serial No. 09/775,425

Group Art Unit No. 3617

Filing Date: April 4, 2000

Examiner: Russel Stormer

Inventor: Lee A. Chase

Date: Russell  
March 14, 2003

Title: Vehicle Wheel and Overlay Assembly

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Notice of Appeal

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Examiner's Final Rejection dated November 5, 2002; and of Claims 1-6, 8-11, 13-20, 22-25, 27, and 28 rejected therein. An amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 responsive to the Examiner's Rejection was filed on February 5, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$730.00, which includes the requisite fee, is enclosed. If there is any deficiency or excess in the fee enclosed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit the same to Deposit Account No. 22-0212.

Respectfully submitted,

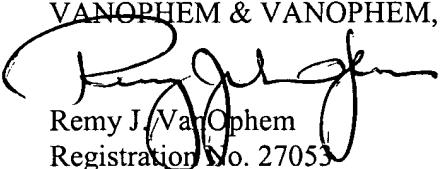
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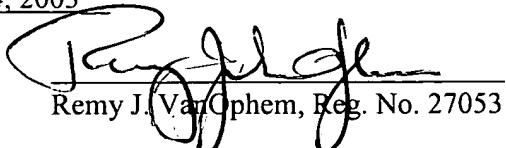
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